

Development of Museums in Madhya Pradesh

†2243. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have received a proposal amounting of Rs. 44.17 lakhs from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh for the upgradation and development of Tulsi Sangrahalaya, Ram Van under the scheme of development and strengthening of local museums and a bank draft of Rs. 7.50 lakhs has been released against it to the State Government by the Central Government; and

(b) if so, by when the balance amount is likely to be released?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The proposal of Tulsi Sangrahalaya was received during 2004-05 and an amount of Rs. 10.00 lakhs was sanctioned. Out of Rs. 10.00 lakhs sanctioned, an amount of Rs. 7.50 lakhs was released as 1st instalment. The balance amount of Rs. 2.50 lakhs will be released on receipt of the Utilisation Certificate in respect of the amount already released by the Central Government (Rs. 7.50 lakhs) and also in respect of the matching share of the State Government (Rs. 2.50 lakhs).

Development of tourism in Sikkim

2244. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the State Government of Sikkim for development of tourism during the current year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of the proposals received from Government of Sikkim during the current year.

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